

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

June 14, 2005

Nearly a year after the signing of the declaration of independence, the second continental congress passed the Flag Act on June 14, 1777, officially establishing the stars and stripes as America's flag.

The American flag has long served as an emblem of our national identity and an enduring symbol of the highest ideals that unite our country: freedom, justice and liberty.

Our flag has flown triumphantly over great battle victories and proudly in town squares, and it signifies the devotion Americans have to the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Today, in Iraq and around the world, brave men and women are serving under our flag, fighting to preserve freedom and win the war against terrorism. On Flag Day we remember the struggles and successes for which our flag stands.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors proclaim June 14, 2005, as Flag Day throughout the County of Los Angeles and urges all its citizens to fly the stars and stripes from their homes and other suitable places, as a time to honor America, to celebrate our heritage in public gatherings and activities, and to publicly recite the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

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